

### Remarks

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

In the present Response, no claims have been canceled, and no claims have been added. Claim 5 has been amended to correct a typographical error. As a result of prior amendments, claims 1-7, 9-11, and 13-28 claims are currently pending. In the present response, claims 2-5, 7, 14-17, 20, 22, and 25-28 have been withdrawn from consideration. Consequently, claims 1, 6, 9-11, 13, 18, 19, 21, 23, and 24 are currently pending and under consideration.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the applicants were required to elect one of the following species

Species I: Tool with just a scrolling mechanism

Species II: Tool with a scrolling and a clamping mechanism

In response to the restriction requirement, the Applicants hereby elect, with traversal, Species I for prosecution. Consequently, claims 2-5, 7, 14-17, 20, 22, and 25-28 have been withdrawn from consideration. It is believed that at least claims 1 and 23 are generic.

In traversal, it is respectfully submitted that the above-mentioned claims could be examined together without imposing an undue burden, especially given the fact that a substantive Office Action was already issued on June 9, 2006. As stated in § 803 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, “[i]f the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions.” Under this standard, it is believed the search of the above-identified groups and species jointly would not impose a serious burden.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and the Examiner is requested to pass the case to issue. If the Examiner should have any comments or suggestions to help speed the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the applicants' undersigned representative by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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